

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:
Peter G. Klimko
David P. Bingaman

Serial No.: 10/697,135 (Conf. No. 9753)

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For: HISTONE DEACETYLASE INHIBITORS
FOR THE TREATMENT OF OCULAR
NEOVASCULAR OR EDEMATOUS
DISORDERS AND DISEASES

Group Art Unit: 1618

Examiner: Z. Fay

Atty. Dkt. No.: 2439 US

RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION MAILED MARCH 27, 2008

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed March 27, 2008.

A petition for a three-month extension of time is being filed herewith along with the requisite fee. The Assistant Commissioner is authorized to withdraw any additional fees that may be due under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 from Alcon Deposit Account No. 501051.

Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.